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[0036] Lock member 140 is released (see Fig. 2) and the entire paper feed platform 10 is raised, with the shaft 106 as the rotation center, until the end plate 14 provided on the paper feed platform 10, gripping the tip of the paper feed platform 10, becomes almost horizontal, and the paper is stacked (See Fig. 3.) Next, the paper feed platform 10 is put down in the direction that is the opposite of arrow B. Thus, the paper 12 is set on the paper feed platform 12 in a tile-like manner, as shown in Fig. 2. Then, taking into account the quality of material, thickness, and fan fold of the paper 12, compression operation lever 194 is shifted clockwise or counterclockwise, and the friction plate 56 regulates the amount of pressure that compresses the separation roller 32 (See Fig. 2.) The above-mentioned operation is carried out also with regard to the unit-type automatic paper feed device M.

[0037] In this status, when the power supply of the unit-type automatic paper feed device M is turned ON, the program starts. In step 200, by means of the paper feed detection sensors 162 and 176 it is decided whether or not the paper feed platform 10 has returned. When the paper feed platform 10 is deemed to have returned, in step 202 the delivery motors 64 and 65 are turned ON. Thus, the carrier motors 64 and 65 turn in an established direction. Then, in step 204, the shift motors 16 and 17 rotate normally, and the end plate 14 sends the paper 12, 13 towards the access roller 20.

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